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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Bell, et al.

Serial No.: 08/455,683

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 27, 1997**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of two months to and including March 27, 1998 in which to respond to the Office Action dated October 27, 1997.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$400.00 is enclosed, which is the process fee (\$400.00) for a two month extension of time.

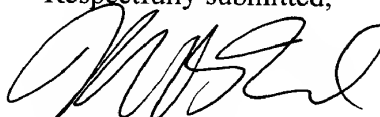
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§§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an

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overpayment be included herein, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Arnold, White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/ARCD:177/WIM.

Respectfully submitted,



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